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FOR: SYSTEM FOR STABILIZING A PORTION OF THE SPINE

## 37 CFR 1.322 & 37 CFR 1.323 REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION FOR USPTO AND/OR APPLICANT MISTAKE

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SIR:

The following is a request for a certificate of correction in Serial Number 10/603,471, now Patent Number 7.862,597.

A certificate of correction under 35 USC 254 is respectfully requested in the above-identified patent.

The errors were the fault of both the applicant and USPTO and, accordingly, please charge \$\frac{\text{\$\$100.00}}{\text{ to ur Deposit Account No. 132546. In the event that a further fee is required, please charge the amount to the same Deposit Account.

The exact locations where the errors appear in the patent and patent application are as follows:

In Column 7, Line 3, delete "71" and insert -- 71 --, therefor. (ORIGINALLY FILED SPECIFICATION DATED JUNE 25, 2003, PAGE 15, LINE 5)

In Column 21, Line 22, in Claim 8, delete "engage able" and insert - engageable --, therefor.

(AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS DATED JUNE 16, 2010, PAGE 4 OF 21, CLAIM 16, LINE 1)

In Column 25, Line 44, in Claim 35, delete "engage able" and insert - engageable --, therefor.

(AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS DATED JUNE 16, 2010, PAGE 11 OF 21, CLAIM 81, LINE 13)

The requested corrections are attached on Form PTO 1050.

Respectfully Submitted,

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